

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A female terminal comprising:

a connecting portion having a resilient strip portion configured to be connected to a mating terminal;

a tubular portion continuous to the connecting portion;

wherein the connecting portion and the tubular portion are integrally formed by bending a metal plate;

wherein the tubular portion includes:

a face on which an edge portion is disposed at a first corner portion of the tubular portion, and

a projection portion formed at a second corner portion located on an opposite side of the face from the first corner portion, is provided and the projection portion projects toward the opposite side to projecting from the second corner portion in a direction away from the edge portion.

2. (Original) A female terminal according to claim 2, wherein at least a part of the edge portion and the projection portion are respectively positioned so as to overlap with the corresponding first and second corner portions.

3. (Original) An electric connector including the female terminal according to

Claim 1.